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**In re Patent Application of:
Michio Suruga**

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

**MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004 (Paper No. 3), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.